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AMENDMENT AND REMARKS ACCOMPANYING
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

This paper and the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and Information Disclosure Statement are being submitted in response to the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due dated September 24, 2008, having a shortened statutory period set to expire on December 24, 2008. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

No Amendments to the Specification or the Drawings are presented in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on **page 2** of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on **page 12** of this paper.